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**VIA CM/ECF**

The Honorable James Wesley Hendrix  
United States District Court for the  
Northern District of Texas  
George H. Mahon Federal Building  
1205 Texas Avenue, Room 209  
Lubbock, TX 79401-4091

Re: *Texas v. Department of Health and Human Services et al.*, 5:24-cv-00204-H (N.D. Tex.)

Dear Judge Hendrix:

Proposed Intervenor-Defendants, the City of Columbus, Ohio, the City of Madison, Wisconsin, and Doctors for America, write in response to Defendants' Consent Motion to hold all deadlines in abeyance filed yesterday, January 30, 2025. Dkt. No. 39. Should the Court grant this Motion, Proposed Intervenor-Defendants respectfully request that the parties be required to provide notice to the Court if, during the abeyance period, they determine that resolution is warranted. Proposed Intervenor-Defendants additionally request that if the parties make such a determination, they also be required to respond to the intervention motion shortly thereafter.

Proposed Intervenor-Defendants moved to intervene in part because they believe that the new administration will likely change positions in such a way that may lead to a settlement or other resolution that would impair Proposed Intervenor-Defendants' interests. Proposed Intervenor-Defendants believe that their suggested amendment to Defendants' Motion would allow Defendants to evaluate their position in the case without hindering Proposed Intervenor-Defendants' ability to protect their interests in this litigation.

Respectfully submitted,

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